

# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Pendergrass-Fairwold School

RICHLAND 1

Grades: PK-12 Enrollment: 108
Principal: Faythe Kennedy Redenburg
Superintendent: Dr. Percy A. Mack

**Board Chair: Aaron Bishop** 

**PERFORMANCE** 

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| YEAR | ABSOLUTE RATING | GROWTH RATING | PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVE |                 | ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM |                          |  |
|------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---|--------------------------|--|
|      | 7.500.50.7.7.   |               | General Performance     | Closing the Gap | ESEA Grade                                | Accountability Indicator |  |
| 2014 | N/A             | N/A           | TBD                     | TBD             | F   | N/A                      |  |
| 2013 | N/A             | N/A           | N/A                     | N/A             | 1   | N/A                      |  |
| 2012 | N/A             | N/A           | N/A                     | N/A             | I   | N/A                      |  |

**ABSOLUTE RATING OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*** 

| EXCELLENT | GOOD | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | AT-RISK |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 4         | 3    | 21      | 10            | 7       |

<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

#### HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS **High Schools with Our High School Students Like Ours** 2013 2014 2013 2014 Passed 2 subtests (%) N/A 59.9% N/A 63.2% Passed 1 subtest (%) N/A N/A 20.3% 24.3% Passed no subtests (%) N/A N/A 19.2% 16.3%

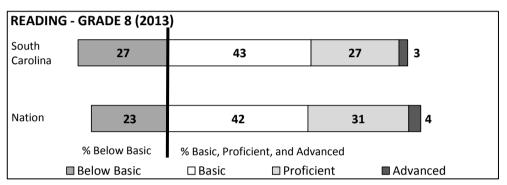
| HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2014 |                 |   |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|---|--|--|
|                                      | Our High School | High Schools with<br>Students Like Ours |  |  |
| Passage Rate                         | N/A             | 81.0%                                   |  |  |

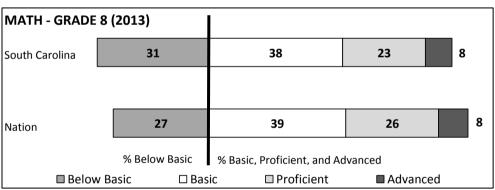
| ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE |                 |   |  |  |
|-------------------------|-----------------|---|--|--|
|                         | Our High School | High Schools with<br>Students Like Ours |  |  |
| Number of students      | 6               | 97                                      |  |  |
| Number of diplomas      | 0               | 70                                      |  |  |
| Rate (%)                | 0.0%            | 67.5%                                   |  |  |

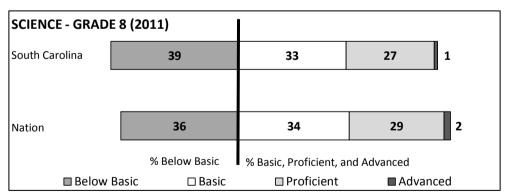
| END OF COURSE TESTS - 2014            |                 |   |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|---|--|--|
| % of students scoring 70 or above on: | Our High School | High Schools with<br>Students Like Ours |  |  |
| Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2 | N/A             | 67.7%                                   |  |  |
| English 1                             | N/A             | 51.5%                                   |  |  |
| Biology 1/Applied<br>Biology 2        | N/A             | 60.3%                                   |  |  |
| US History and the<br>Constitution    | N/A             | 41.2%                                   |  |  |
| All Tests                             | N/A             | 55.4%                                   |  |  |

## NAEP\*

\*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.







#### **SC PERFORMANCE VISION**

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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#### **SCHOOL PROFILE**

|  | Our School    | Change from Last<br>Year | High Schools<br>with Students<br>Like Ours | Median High<br>School |
|--|---------------|--------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Students (n = 108)   |               |                          |  |                       |
| Retention Rate   | 42.7%         | Up from 42.4%            | 4.3%                                       | 3.0%                  |
| Attendance Rate  | 90.5%         | Down from 92.8%          | 95.1%                                      | 96.2%                 |
| Served by gifted and talented program  | 0.0%          | No change                | 10.6%                                      | 17.7%                 |
| With disabilities  | 86.4%         | Up from 83.8%            | 15.4%                                      | 11.5%                 |
| Older than usual for grade   | 44.7%         | Up from 41.4%            | 11.0%                                      | 7.1%                  |
| Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses | 0.0%          | No change                | 1.5%                                       | 1.1%                  |
| Enrolled in AP/IB programs   | 0.0%          | No change                | 6.2%                                       | 15.4%                 |
| Successful on AP/IB exams  | N/A           | N/A                      | 17.7%                                      | 52.8%                 |
| Eligible for LIFE Scholarship  | 0.0%          | N/A                      | 28.6%                                      | 30.6%                 |
| Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations                    | N/A           | N/A                      | 4.2%                                       | 5.3%                  |
| Enrollment in career/technology courses                                      | N/A           | N/A                      | 206  | 423                   |
| Career/technology students attaining technical skills                        | N/A           | N/A                      | 81.5%                                      | 84.5%                 |
| Annual dropout rate  | 0.0%          | No change                | 1.4%                                       | 2.1%                  |
| Teachers (n = 19)  |               |                          |  |                       |
| Teachers with advanced degrees   | 73.7%         | Down from 84.2%          | 60.0%                                      | 64.3%                 |
| Continuing contract teachers   | 78.9%         | Down from 84.2%          | 64.8%                                      | 77.3%                 |
| Teachers returning from previous year  | 81.0%         | Down from 87.9%          | 79.2%                                      | 85.5%                 |
| Teacher attendance rate  | 95.8%         | Up from 95.1%            | 95.7%                                      | 95.5%                 |
| Average teacher salary*  | \$54,718      | Down 2.6%                | \$45,304                                   | \$48,414              |
| Classes not taught by higly qualified teachers                               | N/A           | N/A                      | 8.8%                                       | 3.0%                  |
| Professional development days/teacher  | 10.4 days     | Up from 8.1 days         | 9.4 days                                   | 10.0 days             |
| School   |               |                          |  |                       |
| Principal's years at school  | 4.0           | Up from 3.0              | 3.0  | 3.0                   |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects                                       | 9.6 to 1      | Down from 10.0 to 1      | 18.9 to 1                                  | 26.0 to 1             |
| Prime instructional time   | 85.7%         | Down from 87.6%          | 89.8%                                      | 90.3%                 |
| Dollars spent per pupil**  | \$27,999      | Up 23.2%                 | \$11,703                                   | \$8,238               |
| Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**                                  | 61.3%         | Up from 60.0%            | 53.8%                                      | 56.9%                 |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction**                                    | 61.5%         | Up from 61.0%            | 55.6%                                      | 58.0%                 |
| Opportunities in the arts  | Good          | No change                | Good                                       | Excellent             |
| SACS accreditation   | Yes           | No change                | Yes  | Yes                   |
| Parents attending conferences  | 96.6%         | Up from 95.9%            | 97.4%                                      | 98.7%                 |
| Character development program  | Below Average | No change                | Good                                       | Good                  |
| ESEA composite index score   | 44.7          | N/A                      | 66.2                                       | 84.1                  |

<sup>\*</sup> Length of contract = 185+ days.

### **EVALUATION RESULTS**

|  | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned                             | 14       | N/A       | 1        |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment            | 100.0%   | I/S       | I/S      |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 100.0%   | I/S       | I/S      |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations           | 85.7%    | I/S       | I/S      |

<sup>\*</sup> Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included. For schools without grade eleven, only the highest grade was included.

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# Abbreviations Key N/R-Not Reported

# REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Pendergrass-Fairwold School serves medically fragile and severely intellectually and physically disabled students from ages three to twenty-one who require a structured educational environment which will help them maximize physical mobility, self-help skills, life skills, and consequently, facilitate their adjustment to community living. We also provide services for students ages eighteen to twenty-one who require significant supportive programming to transition from school to work or from school to independent living. All students receive educational and related services according to their Individualized Education Plan (IEP) and are monitored for progress according to the guidelines of their IEP.

During the 2013-2014 school year, we have evaluated our school and program in an effort to identify our areas of strengths and make plans for continuous improvement. Although we included input from all stakeholder groups at the inception of our plan, we have not had success in maintaining involvement from individuals other than faculty members. Through the process of developing our renewal plan, we have targeted working towards better communication with our stakeholders as an explicit area of improvement. This is a challenge for us as our students live in all areas of the district. To accomplish this goal, we are in the process of developing an active School Improvement Council (SIC) and Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO). We have scheduled monthly meetings and currently have six new members. We will continue to work diligently to attain our goals and continue to encourage all students and staff to do their best.

Professional development is an area of strength for both the district and Pendergrass-Fairwold School. Specifically, at Pendergrass-Fairwold, all certified faculty members participate in a monthly book study centered on student achievement. On a weekly basis, faculty and staff members participate in professional learning communities in which they collaborate to ensure consistency in providing the best possible learning environment for all students. We have also implemented a Classified Mentoring program to ensure each new classified staff member is successful. All staff members participate in ancillary professional development activities throughout the school year including First Aid and CPR. Fairwold staff is trained in Crisis Prevention Institute's Non-Violent Crisis Intervention training as well as procedures for medical situations such as tube feeding and seizures.

During this school term, we have utilized a new curriculum that is aligned with Common Core Standards. With the implementation of Unique Learning Systems, all teachers have been using the same criteria and activities while maintaining the unique learning needs given the diversity of disabilities ranging from non-verbal students and those who cannot read or write and verbal students who do have academic skills. Since we have only used this curriculum in its fullest during the 2013-2014 school year, we have limited data to use to assess the strengths and weaknesses of the program as it relates to our student population. At the conclusion of this school term, we will compile data to determine the benefits of using the Unique Learning System and Project Discovery.

Faythe Kennedy Redenburg, Principal Gantt. SIC Chairperson

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I/S-Insufficient Sample TBD-To Be Determined

<sup>\*\*</sup>Prior year audited financial data available.